

## Public Hearings and Comments: Triennial DBE Goals and Disparity Study

A series of public hearings will be held to present ADOT’s proposed overall DBE goals and the recently completed draft Disparity Study Report that provided the data to support the goals, and to provide opportunity for public comments and verbal testimony. The Disparity Study helps ADOT comply with federal requirements to set an overall three-year goal for businesses owned by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals on federally funded contracts.

**Based on the study results, ADOT is proposing the following DBE goals:**

Funding Agency	Federal Fiscal Timeframe	Overall Proposed Goal	Race Conscious % (Contract Goals)	Race Neutral % (Small Business Programs and other Efforts)
FHWA	2015 – 2017	8.90%	3.90%	5.00%
FTA	2016 – 2018	7.25%	N/A	7.25%
FAA	2017 – 2019	4.87%	N/A	4.87%

Companies that do business with ADOT and the public are encouraged to comment on the size of the proposed overall DBE goals, the means proposed to achieve the goals, the results of the Disparity Study, as well as their experiences competing for or working on ADOT projects. ADOT also seeks suggestions on how to improve contracting opportunities for DBEs and other small businesses, and recommendations on what ADOT and the transportation industry can do to enhance support of the Federal DBE Program.

The public comment period runs from June 8 through July 23. As part of the comment period, ADOT will be holding public hearings around the state. **All public hearings will be held from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. with an ADOT presentation at 3:15.** Time will be allotted to allow members of the public to provide comments.

### Public Hearings

#### July 8 – Flagstaff

High County Conference Center - 1899 Ballroom  
201 W. Butler Ave. Flagstaff, AZ 86001

#### July 14 – Tucson

Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center  
1660 W. Rathrauff Rd. Tucson, AZ 85705

#### July 13 – Yuma

Hilton Garden Inn Yuma – Anza/Redondo Room  
310 N. Madison Ave. Yuma, AZ 85364

#### July 16 – Phoenix

Human Resources Development Center  
1130 N. 22nd Ave., Phoenix 85009

All documents related to the proposed goal and methodology and draft Disparity Study will be available for review from June 8th through July 23<sup>rd</sup> online at [adotdbestudy.com](http://adotdbestudy.com) or at:

#### ADOT Business Engagement and Compliance Office

1135 N. 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85009  
Phone: (602) 712-7761

**At any time during the 45-day public comment period, comments can be provided in the following ways:**

- Verbal testimony: At Public Hearings
- Online: [adotdbestudy.com](http://adotdbestudy.com)
- Email: [info@adotdbestudy.com](mailto:info@adotdbestudy.com)
- Fax: 928-684-3021
- Mail: Keen Independent Research, 172 N. Washington Street, Wickenburg, AZ 85390

The public comment period will close on July 23, 2015. All public comments will be reviewed before ADOT submits final DBE goal requests to FHWA, FTA and FAA.

*Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact ADOT at [beco@azdot.gov](mailto:beco@azdot.gov) or 602.712.7761. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the state has an opportunity to address the accommodation. Personas que requieren asistencia o una adaptación razonable por habilidad limitada en inglés o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con ADOT al [beco@azdot.gov](mailto:beco@azdot.gov) o 602.712.7761. Las solicitudes deben hacerse tan pronto como sea posible para asegurar que el estado tiene la oportunidad de abordar el alojamiento.*